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REMARKS

Claims 1-13 and 17-24 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 5, 7, 8 and 11 are amended. No new matter has been added. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Applicants appreciate the courtesies extended to Applicants' representative by Examiner Wood during the April 8 personal interview. Applicants' record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following Remarks.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 5, 7, 11 and 17-24 contain allowable subject matter. As discussed during the personal interview, Applicants amended independent claims 1 and 8 to recite most of the features of allowable claims 5, 7 and 11. For at least the reasons discussed below, Applicants submit that all pending claims are allowable.

Claims 1, 3 and 8-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0159677 to Hsu et al. ("Hsu") and claims 2, 4, 6, 12 and 13 rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Hsu. The rejections are respectfully traversed for at least the following reasons.

As agreed during the personal interview, Hsu fails to disclose or suggest a microoptical device comprising, *inter alia*, at least one bumper connected to the movable part
wherein the bumper bumps into the stop block in order to stop the movable part, as recited in
amended claim 1, and forming at least one bumper connected to the movable part, as recited
in amended claim 8. For at least these reasons, Applicants submit that Hsu fails to disclose or
suggest all the features of claims 1 and 8 as well as all the features of claims 2-4, 6, 8-10, 12
and 13, which depend from claims 1 and 8. It is respectfully requested that the rejection be
withdrawn.

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In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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